

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, The state of South Dakota is the home of Berthold (Bert) Fried, and we are richer because Bert lives among us; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love, as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Bert was born January 15, 1923, to Christ and Emelia Fried on the family farm near White Butte, South Dakota; and,

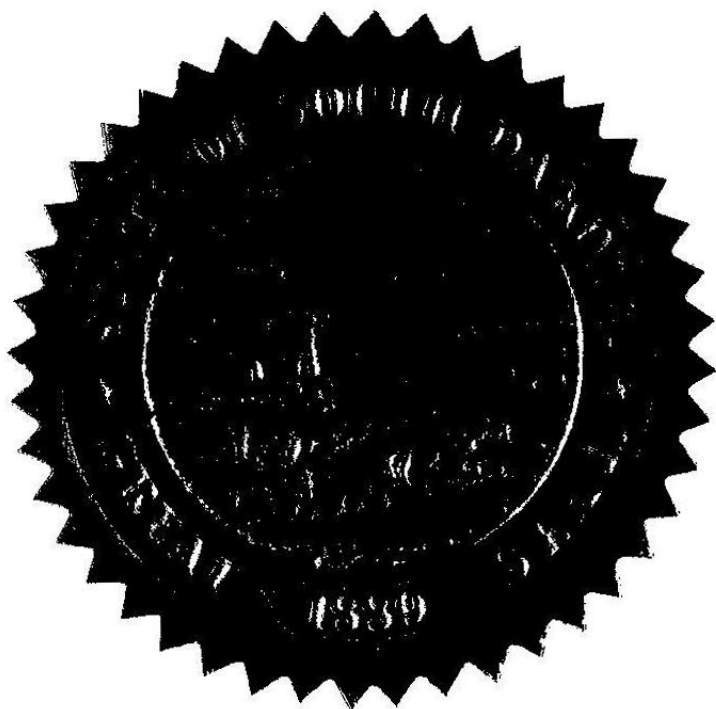
*Whereas*, Bert married Mildred Rietdorf on June 18, 1950, and resided on a farm near Meadow, South Dakota, and to that union five children were born, who further blessed their lives with twelve grandchildren, and thirteen great-grandchildren; and,

*Whereas*, Bert resides in Sturgis, South Dakota, and will observe his 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as his relatives and friends gather to honor him and celebrate his life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a man who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 15, 2013, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his relatives and friends in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Jason M. Gant*  
Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State